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Legalise Tenant Right at the end of a Lease in Ireland.

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WHEREAS doubts have arisen as to the legal effect of leases upon the Ulster Tenant Right Custom mentioned in section one of the Landlord and Tenant (Ireland) Act, 1870, and the usages corresponding therewith in other parts of Ireland, as mentioned in section two of the said Act:

And whereas it is desirable to remove such doubts:

Be it declared and enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. This Act shall be construed as one with "The Landlord and Tenant (Ireland) Act, 1870," (herein-after called the principal Act); and this Act may for all purposes be cited as "The Legalised Tenant Right (Ireland) Act, 1877."

2. In case any holding in Ireland shall have been held under a lease, which shall have expired at the time of making any claim under section one or two of the principal Act, and it shall appear to the court that such holding, if it had been held from year to year, would, being situate in the Province of Ulster, have been subject to the Ulster Tenant Right Custom, mentioned in section one of the principal Act, or, being situate in any other part of Ireland, have been subject to any usage corresponding therewith, as mentioned in section two of the said Act, the person or persons who would have been entitled to make and sustain a claim in respect of such holding, if the tenancy had been from year to year, shall (unless his or their lease contains an express covenant or agreement on the lessee's part for valuable consideration to forego the benefits of such custom or usage), be entitled to make and sustain a claim under the first section or second section of the principal Act (as the case may be), in all respects as if the tenancy had been from year to year.

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